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The South Korean movie “Parasite” is the **top contender** for the best international film at the Oscars; which means that it has made history for its country, award category, and the international film industry.

“Parasite” is South Korea’s first-ever nomination at the Oscars, and usually, Western Europe **dominates** in this category. Italy and France have won the most awards in the international film category, although Poland, Hungary, Iran, Chile, and Mexico have won awards in the last five years.

Both critics and audiences are talking about the movie “Parasite” and it is unusual for so many people to be excited about an international film. A film professor said that it is rare for a film like this to make it **mainstream media**, but digital platforms have helped more people learn about movies from around the world.

Difficult words: **top contender** (someone likely to win a competition), **dominate** (to be the best, to be in control), **mainstream media** (the news that most people see).

QUICK CHECK

- Why is the movie "Parasite" from the South Korea became so famous?
- How did the critics describe the movie?
- How people learn about different movies from around the world.

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

What springs to your mind when you hear the word "parasite"?

Are there any people in the society that you consider parasites? Why?

Have you ever watched other country's movie? What can you say about the film?